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To Mr. BAVIUS Secretary to the Society of Grub-ſtreet.

SIR,

THE Letter to FRANCIS WALSINGHAM, Eſq; publiſhed in your laſt *Journal*, which was certainly written by ſome *Common Council* man, in defence *of one of the moſt violent and arbitrary procedures that ever was attempted in a free City*, has given me great uneaſineſs. And, *as I have taken the pains to enquire* into, *and to know more exactly than others*, the Contents of the Paper which occaſioned that Letter, *it behoves me to give you a faithful account of* it. I am very much concerned, together with an eminent Member of your Society, for the reputation of the City of London; and fear that the *Princely Foreigner* now among us will entertain but a mean opinion of our Politeneſs and our Gratitude. Nay, I am under terrible apprehenſions, that this mean opinion will be ſpread all over Europe, by the means of this admirable Paper, when it comes to be tranſlated, as it certainly will be, into ſeveral foreign languages. The Author of it has ſet this unpolite and ungrateful action in ſo glaring a light, by his Argumentation, and by his Rhetoric, that all unprejudiced perſons muſt needs be convinced of the reaſonableneſs of what he has alleged. I ſhall therefore point out ſome of the beauties of this admirable Piece, as a pattern of fine writing, to the Members of your Society; hoping at the ſame time, that even ſome of the Gentlemen of the *Common Council* may be convinced thereby of their miſtake; and not doubting but that all the Gentlemen whom they repreſent *will duly conſider this affair, and how much it behoves them, as well to ſubſcribe and to back that Petition, as to mark out thoſe, who refuſed to give them any hearing at all.*

Pag. i. Col. 1. 'The moſt enterprizing Princes, who 'ſet themſelves up in defiance of the Laws, had [not only] *feared* to touch [but likewiſe] had not *dared* to invade 'the ſacred Rights of your City. — Col. 2. 'Our great 'Deliverer William III. fired with [not only] a *virtuous*, '[but alſo] a *beneficent* ambition, [both] *called* hither by 'our *cries*, and [likewiſe] *invited* by our *ſupplications*, left 'his native Country [even] at our *intreaty*.

Pag. 1. Col. 2. 'When JAMES II. *anticipating* [as 'well as the Engliſh Subjects] the evils of his Reign, aſſumed the direction of his Brother's Councils, and prepared the way for the introduction of the *worſt Superſtition* [worſe than Mahometaniſm or Paganiſm] and *moſt compleat* ſyſtem of abſolute Power, that ever was ſet up 'in any Country, [Popiſh, Turkiſh, or Heatheniſh]; he 'boldly ſeized upon your Charter, &c, ——— Col. 1. He 'deprived the Subjects of his Kingdom, both of their liberties, and of their properties, [not only] without tryal, '[but even] without judgment, againſt all Law, and againſt 'all Right.

Col. 2. 'If to have the great offices of your City *choſen* from 'among your Citizens; if to have the *election* of all . . . . 'entirely in your own hands; if theſe are precious Privileges . . . what monuments of praiſe are due to . . . the 'Reſtorer of your rights, by whom you were *delivered*, 'and by whom you were *preſerved*; without whom you 'had been *undone*, no longer *Engliſhmen*, [but changed 'into *French*, *Spaniards*, or *Germans*,] no longer Citizens 'of *London*, no longer . . . . . poſſeſſed of an *inviolable* 'Charter, [not poſſibly to be violated in any future times]; 'but ſlaves, *irredeemable* ſlaves [whom no Perſon on earth 'beſides could ever have *redeemed*] in the hands, and at 'the diſpoſition of moſt deſpotick Powers? ——— Pag. ii. 'Col. 1. When the ſad effects of Time and Fate, which 'have changed and overthrown the moſt Free States, ſhall 'even be felt, [by this inviolable Charter], if ever ſo diſmal a period ſhould happen, &c.

Pag. ii. Col. 2. 'Nay many of thoſe, whom his [Ald. 'Barnard's] Influence could not have governed his Eloquence might have ſubdued [eloquence having no influence in *governing* the paſſions, but great power in *ſubduing* them] — 'But the great reſervedneſs and *ſeeming* coldneſs of this worthy Gentleman being ſo *apparent*, it 'happened, &c. [For had not this *ſeeming* coldneſs been 'apparent, it would certainly have happened quite otherwiſe.]

Pag. iii. Col. 1. 'It behoves you . . to mark out thoſe, 'who, when they met, according to the Powers which 'they received from you, to hear [or not to hear] their 'Fellow Citizens . . . . refuſed to give them any hearing 'at all.

Pag. iii. Col. 2, 'They [the *Common Council* men] are 'neither wiſer, nor better than yourſelves; I wiſh they 'were half ſo honeſt: [neither of which they can be becauſe] they are your Servants, [being] your Truſtees, &c.

Pag. iv. Col. 2. 'We are the only nation in the World, 'who have any [liberties] to boaſt, &c. [The Subjects of the Republics of Venice, Holland, &c. being all ſlaves.]

I heartily recommend theſe few places, out of a great many other in this celebrated *Paper*, to the conſideration and imitation of the Gentlemen of the Society; and am,

Sir, Your moſt humble ſervant,

Nov. 15, 1731. A. B.

The Modern Poets.

A Satire in alluſion to the 10th Satire of the firſt Book of HORACE. By a young Gentleman of Cambridge.

* THAT BAYS to farce, Sir, turns his Tragic ſtrain,
And eaſy CONGREVE imitates in vain;
That nonſenſe oft he writes; then ſays 'tis new,
Muſt ſure be own'd by his admiring few.
For what fond Patron can his *Cæſar* praiſe,
His New-years Odes approve, or Paſt'ral lays?
But, with his faults, ſome praiſes he muſt ſhare,
When the gay *Townly* charms the liſtning Fair.
That he's incomparable, yet muſt we own,
Becauſe he chanc'd to pleaſe the fickle Town?
Then fidling J—— might ſome merit claim,
And *Huncamunca* rival him in fame.
† 'Tis not enough, to gain a wild applauſe,
When crouded Theatres eſpouſe your cauſe.
'Tis not enough, to make an audience ſmile;
But write a ſtrong, correct, yet eaſy ſtile.
No balmy ſlumbers ſhou'd deſcribe a fear;
Nor dull deſcriptions load the wearied ear.
‡ But aim to ſoar in SHAKESPEAR's lofty ſtrain;
Or nature draw in JOHNSON's merry vein.
To F —— names unknown — to him have come
The fame of *Hickathrift*, and brave *Tom Thumb*:
The brave *Tom Thumb* does all his thoughts engage:
See! with what noble port, what tragic rage,
His Lilliputian Hero treads the ſtage.
How nice the judgment, and the toil how great,
To make our nervous language ſoft and ſweet:
From WALLER and from DRYDEN phraſes chuſe,
To ſmooth the roughneſs of your Highland muſe.
Thus the skill'd Tapſter to the harſher ſtale,
To pleaſe the palate, adds the milder ale.
** While BAYS makes *Cæſar*'s name ſtill more abhorr'd,
And murders *Cæſar* worſe than *Brutus* Sword;
While *Sophonisba* dies by freedom fir'd,
And mild *Timoleon* rants like W — inſpir'd;
While *Oxford* jokes are hiſs'd in *Drury-Lane*,
My muſe can't well forbear the ſneering ſtrain.
See T—— leaves the Lawyers gainful train,
To wrack with poetry his tortur'd brain:
Fir'd, or not fir'd, to write reſolves with rage,
And conſtant pores o'er SHAKESPEAR's ſacred page.
— Then ſtarting cries — I ſomething will be thought:
I'll write — then — boldly ſwears 'twas SHAKESPEAR wrote.
Strange! he in Poetry no forgery fears,
That knows ſo well in Law he'd loſe his ears.

†† Let ſuch at SWIFT with ſtupid folly rail.
Who dull can read unmov'd his comic tale?
All that have taſte will deep attention lend,
To that which CARTERET and which POPE commend.
Yet for unſtudied humour GAY ſhall pleaſe,
Who on the barren'ſt ſubject writes with eaſe.
The Theatre his juſt applauſes rings
When ſenſe with manly voice his *Mackheath* ſings.
Then SENESINO warbles but in vain;
And ſoft CUZZONA yields to POLLY's ſtrain.
His *Art of Walking* wrote in hum'rous verſe
Whilſt to themſelves the Lawyers Clerks rehearſe,
Pleas'd, they no longer curſe the dirty ſtreet,
Forget their weary ſteps, and aching feet.
* Good-natur'd YOUNG, well-learned and well-bred,
Studies to lay prevailing folly dead.
How gently he the well turn'd Satire deals,
Smiles while he ſtrikes, and while he wounds he heals!
M — too will Satires write, tho' nothing mean,
But on each finger meaſures out his ſpleen:
Sounds ev'ry ſyllable, each word he chimes,
And tortures his dull brain for uncouth rhimes.
SOUTHERN alone can raiſe our anxious care,
In Theatres can move the Britiſh Fair,
Swell the deep ſigh, and draw the falling tear.
† But who like POPE the pow'r of numbers knows?
Now in looſe, eaſy couplets ſweet he flows.
If lawns or ſhadowy woods he makes his theme,
Or if he paint the ſilent Thames's ſtream,
Your ſenſes all are raviſh'd with delight,
And every object's plac'd before your ſight.
But if he makes the bluſtring north-wind roar,
Or rolling ſurges laſh the ſounding ſhore;
The ſtrong deſcription with ſuch art is wrought,
With dread you'll read, and ſhudder at the thought.
Nor ſhall I dare, (ſo well deſerv'd his fame)
To caſt the leaſt reflection on his name.
BAYS ſtill writes on, and cries he'll mind no rules;
The Antients blockheads were, the Moderns fools:
Then names all thoſe that once the laurel wore,
And ſwears, that none deſerv'd it well before.
I don't deny but his great genius may,
Within ſix fortnights blunder out a Play;
But if in this he wholly founds his fame,
His rivals ſoon may boaſt an equal claim:
Each ſing-ſong writer vers'd in crambo's laws,
Momus, *Oreſtes* might expect applauſe:
With pride each author might his works ſurvey,
And boaſt his embrio offſpring of a day.
‡ Would you write well, each flowing thought refine;
Careful obſerve each word, as well as line:
Your ſolid judgment ne'er with trifles cheat,
To pleaſe the ign'rant mob, or vulgar Great:
Nor e'er t'adorn the tricks of *Harlequin*,
Heroick ſing the *Rape of Proſerpine*.
** When PORTER heard, that ſtars and garters dy'd
For dancing SALLEE, ſhe with ſmile reply'd,

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* *Nempe incompoſito dixi pede currere verſus*
Lucili. Quis tam Lucili autor inepte eſt,
Ut non hoc fateatur? At idem, quòd ſale multo
Urbem defricuit, chartâ laudatur eâdem.
Nec tamen hoc tribuens dederim quoque cætera: nam ſic
Et Laberi mimos, ut pulchra poemata, mirer.

† *Ergo non ſatis eſt riſu diducere rictum*
Auditoris.
Eſt brevitate opus, ut currat ſententia, neu ſe
Impediat verbis laſſas onerantibus aures.

‡ *Illi, ſcripta quibus Comœdia priſca virîs eſt,*
Hoc ſtabant, hoc ſunt imitandi: quos neque pulcher
Hermogenes unquam legit, neque Simius iſte
Nil præter Calvum & doctus cantare Catullum.
At magnum fecit, quòd verbis Græca Latinis
Miſcuit. O ſeri ſtudiorum! quine putetis
Difficile & mirum Rhodio quod Pitholeonti
Contigit. At ſermo linguâ concinnus utráque
Suavior, ut Chio nota ſi commiſta Falerni eſt.

** *Turgidus Alpinus jugulat dum Memnona, dumque,*
Diffingit Rheni luteum caput; hæc ego ludo.

†† *Argutâ meretrice potes, Davoque Chremeta*
Eludente ſenem, comis garrire libellos,
Unus vivorum, Fundani.

* —— *Pollio regum*
Facta canit, pede ter percuſſo: Forte epos acer,
Ut nemo, Varius ducit.

† —— *Molle atque facetum*
Virgilio annuerunt gaudentes rure Camœnæ.
Hoc erat, experto fruſtra Varrone Atacino,
Atque quibuſdam aliis, melius quod ſcribere poſſem,
Inventore minor. Neque ego illi detrahere auſim,
Hærentem capiti multa cum laude coronam.

—— *Age, quæſo,*
Tu nihil in magno doctus reprendis Homero?
Nil comis Tragici mutat Lucilius Attî?
Nos ridet verſus Ennî gravitate minores,
Cum de ſe loquitur, non ut majore reprenſis?

Hoc tantum contentus amet ſcripſiſſe ducentos
Ante cibum verſus, & totidem cœnatus.

‡ *Sæpe ſtylum vertas, iterum quæ digna legi ſint,*
Scripturus; neque te ut miretur turba, labores,
Contentus paucis lectoribus. An tua demens
Vilibus in ludis dictari carmina malis?

** *Non ego: nam ſatis eſt equitem mihi plaudere; ut audax*
Contemptis aliis explosa Arbuſcula dixit.

Let her the foplings charm; 'tis excellence,
Enough for me, to pleaſe the men of ſenſe.
T——— or BAYS may ne'er a ſmile beſtow,
But cry the verſe is bad, the ſatire low;
D - s may ſnarl, and give the poets laws,
(Who for a treat wou'd grumble out applauſe)
Or buskin'd F—— cry my verſes down,
And ſwear that none but he can pleaſe the Town.
†† This ſnarling tribe would ne'er my anger move,
Shou'd SWIFT, or ARBUTHNOT, or YOUNG approve:
Shou'd POPE, to whom I'll dedicate my lays,
Shou'd he but ſmile — I'd count their cenſure praiſe.

Men' moveat cimex Pantilius? An crucier, quòd
Vellicet abſentem Demetrius? aut quòd ineptus
Faunius Hermogenis lædat conviva Tigelli?
†† Plotius, & Varius, Mæcenas, Virgiliuſque,
Vagius, & probet hæc Octavius optimus, atque
Fuſcus.——

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Courant.* | E P. *Evening Poſt.*
P. *Poſt-Boy.* | S J. *S. James's Evening Poſt.*
D P. *Daily Poſt.* | WE. *Whitehall Evening P.*
D J. *Daily Journal.* | LE. *London Evening Poſt.*

THURSDAY, *Nov.* 11.

Yeſterday the Ticket No. 54,617 was drawn a prize of 2000 l. *C. DP. DJ.* Which fell to Col. Selwin. *P.*

Extract of a Letter dated Nov. 10. — I ſend you this to contradict a paragraph in this day's *Daily Poſt.* There are now remaining in the Dormitory at Weſtminſter, the two Charters of King John, bearing teſt from Runney Mead, coæval by their writing, and of equal authority, the one entirely unhurt, the other legible. The old Council Books remain entire and without damage; and there does not appear any loſs of the Pope's Bulls. By a ſcheme propoſed by Gentlemen converſant in Records, the Manuſcripts damag'd by water only, will be reſtor'd to their original goodneſs. What Records or Papers are loſt no one yet can tell: but it is thought by the Perſons who know beſt, the moſt valuable are preſerved, and the number loſt not near ſo great as was at firſt feared. *C.* —— *Notwithſtanding this, the long* Paragraph *in the* DP. *here* contradicted, *is inſerted word for word in the* SJ. *and* LE. *Nov.* 11. *And in the* Craftſman *and* Fog's Journal, *of Nov.* 13.

Upon the return of the Court to St. James's, a Chapter will be held for the diſpoſal of two vacant Garters, one of his late Majeſty, and the other of the Duke of Cleveland; when the R. Hon. the Earl of Grantham will have one; and we hear the R. Hon. the Lord Harrington will have the other.—— The R. Hon. the Earl of Ilay will, we hear, have the Green Ribbon, vacant by the death of the Earl of Orrery. *DJ.*

Yeſterday after the drawing, the number of undrawn Tickets was 24,640; the Lottery is below Par, and the price of an undrawn Ticket (allowing 7 l. 10s for a Blank) is not above 9 l. 10 s. at which rate the Horſes are now worth but 6 s. a day, although the ſpirit of gaming has riſen [raiſed] the undrawn Tickets to 18 l. 14 s. and Horſes to 11 l. 10 s. *DP.*

The Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty have been pleaſed to order a Seſſions of the High Court of Admiralty to be held Dec. 10, at the Old Baily, for trying one Sebtt. *P.*

The R. Hon. the Earl of Albemarle has ſurrendered his Commiſſion of Colonel of a Company of Grenadiers in the 2d Regiment of Foot Guards; and is promiſed by his Majeſty the firſt Regiment of Horſe that ſhall become vacant on the Engliſh Eſtabliſhment. 4 *Ev.* —— We hear the Lord Howard of Eſſingham will be advanced to the Degree of an Earl. *SJ. LE.*

On tueſday a Court of Aldermen was held at Guildhall, and being the firſt ſince the new Lord Mayor's being ſworn in, they took into conſideration the *Annual Gratuities* proper to be continued to the Officers of the City; when it was propoſed, that the 100 l. per ann. given to the *Chamberlain*, when he was not Receiver of the *Land Tax* of the City, or of the *Window Lights*, ſhould be diſcontinued; when Mr. Ald. *Bayliſ* ſtood up, and ſaid, He would do juſtice to that *Worthy Gentleman* to declare, *He* was not Receiver of the *Window Tax*, for he had that Office himſelf; and therefore moved, that the 100 l. per ann. might be continued: which motion was ſeconded by Mr. Ald. *Breeas*, and debates ariſing, it was agreed to ballot; there were 12 againſt continuing it, and 6 for it: and upon a ſecond diviſion, they ſtruck *His* Clerk off 25 l. per ann. It's matter of *great Comfort* to the Livery-men of this City, to ſee the above two Gentlemen (who were ſuch e cnes, and ſpent ſo much money in Law, &c. about the election of an Alderman) *unite in one intereſt at laſt.* *LE.* —— *The brightneſs of* Land Tax *Gold, ſhining through* Window Lights, *might very likely have a double influence, both* inlightening *and* uniting.

George Fox, Eſq; who married the Heireſs of the late Lord Bingley, returning with his Lady from Yorkſhire to this City, had the misfortune to be robb'd on the road at Dunſtable, where they lodged, of Jewels, Plate, &c. to a great value. *LE.*

Extract of a Letter to the Author of the Whitehall Evening Poſt —— Letters from Rome adviſe, that the Pope having received an Expreſs from his Nuncio at Paris, communicated the contents to the *Chevalier de S. George*, after which he held a Conſiſtory, and acquainted the Cardinals, That he had received certain intelligence, that the *Common Council* of the City of *London*, had refuſed to ſuffer a *Statue* of *King* WILLIAM III. to be erected; that this Act of ſo great and ſo wiſe a Body, had much added to the hopes of his Dear Son, whom he called the *King* of *England*, that ſome had even plainly treated it as an open Declaration in his favour, againſt the eſtabliſhed Government of *Great Britain*; that he congratulated them, the Cardinals, on this joyful occaſion; and invited them all to aſſiſt at the *Te Deum*, which he cauſed to be ſolemnly ſung in his own Chappel. It is added, That the *Chevalier* gave the Ladies a Ball, and danced a *French* minuet himſelf, to expreſs his ſatisfaction. *WE.* *Theſe* Letters from Rome, *came certainly by the* f-Lying Poſt.

FRIDAY, *Nov.* 12.

We hear it was yeſterday reſolved, in a Committee of the Directors of the Bank, not to build in Threadneedle-ſtreet. *DP.* In a Court of Directors it was determined by a majority of one vote; occaſioned by the Grocers Company having made ſome conceſſions, to continue them in their Hall. *DJ.*

Yeſterday No. 57,388 was drawn a prize of 10,000 l and No. 28,249, a prize of 500 l. *C.* —— We hear the 10,000 l. fell to Mr. Walker, one of the Commiſſioners of the Cuſtoms. *P.* —— It is believed to belong to Mr. Langley, a Principal Clerk in the Sun-Fire-office. *DJ.* —— We hear that Sir Herbert Packington has got it. *P. Nov.* 13.

We hear that the Charitable Corporation by their late misfortune, ſuffer'd the loſs of above 200,000 l. *DP.*—— *This is hardly credible.*

We hear from Hereford, that on Wedneſday laſt 2 perſons were committed to that gaol by Will. Cowper, Eſq; for robbing and murdering Mr. Tho. Adams, of Walherne in the ſaid County, as he was going home from Hertford Market near 2 years ago: they were taken on the information of a fellow now in the ſaid gaol for burglary, and who was concern'd with them when Mr. Adams was murder'd and robb'd. *DP.* Their names were Carrol and Sparrow. *P.*

Henry Major, Eſq was a few days ſince admitted, at the Commons, a Proctor in the Biſhop of London's Court. *DP.*

Mr. Steph. Denſton, being in the houſe of a Watchmaker at Dover, the beginning of October laſt, gave there to the value of 11 l. Engliſh money for French two penny pieces, ſome of which he put off at Boulogne, without the leaſt thought of its being counterfeit coin: upon which, in his abſence, his chamber was broke open, and the reſt of the pieces were ſeized; with all his other money, goods, &c. By good fortune he was met by a particular friend, juſt off the hills, who told him what had happened, and adviſed him to make his eſcape, ſaying, if he was taken he certainly would be broke on the wheel. After ſuffering extreme hardſhips, the drums beating and deſcribing his perſon in the neighbouring Sea-port towns, he by great providence got to a veſſel, which brought him ſafe to Dover. His friend, who aſſiſted in his eſcape, was afterwards taken up, and 'twas thought would be hanged. *DJ.*

On wedneſday a Carter, coming to town with a load of hay, paſſing through Shoreditch, had the misfortune to fall, by which accident one of his wheels, which was ſhod, went over his thigh, and took the ſame quite off. *C.*—— He died the ſame evening. *C. Nov.* 13. ——— He is not only alive, but like to do well. *P. Nov.* 15.

SATURDAY, *Nov.* 13.

Yeſterday morning their Majeſties, his Royal Highneſs the Duke, and the 5 Princeſſes, accompanied by ſeveral perſons of diſtinction, came from Richmond to the Royal Palace at Kenſington, where their Majeſties walked in the gardens, and view'd the new works that had been made this ſummer, for about two hours; and about 1 of the clock the Royal Family return'd to S. James's to dinner. *C.* —— *They* return'd to S. *James's, in the ſame manner as they would have* gone forward to Richmond, *in caſe they had* gone back *thither* to Dinner.

Yeſterday No. 27,599 was drawn a prize of 1000 l. and No. 4219 a prize of 500 l. *P. DP. DJ.* —— Mr. Currer, an Attorney of Furnival's Inn, ſold 4 tickets at 161. 5 s. and 1 he reſerved to himſelf came up a prize of 2000 l. *P.*

Yeſterday the Rev. Mr. Burne was choſen Lecturer of S. Anne's Alderſgate, and S. John Zachary, in the room of Mr. Gardner deceas'd. *P.* Mr. Burn, one of the Maſters of Merchant-Taylor's ſchool. *DP.*

Newcaſtle, Nov. 6. Our town has collected for the poor ſufferers by fire, at Blandford, Tiverton and Ramſay, 158 l. 7 s. 6 d. And the Corporation gave out of their revenues 100 l. In all 258 l. 7 s. 6 d. *DJ.*

Laſt thurſday at a meeting of the Royal Society were expos'd to publick view, the following perſons names recommended to a future election, viz. Edw. Barry, M. D. of Cork in Ireland, who wrote a Treatiſe on conſumptions; Monſ. Lovis de la Nouare, a Member of the Academy of Belles Sciences at Paris, and author of 5 letters in defence of Sir Iſa. Newton's Chronology; Jacobus Serenus, M. A. Miniſter of the Swediſh Church in London, who publiſh'd a Tract *de Antiquitatibus Suecogothicis* in 1727, collected a Syſtem of Agriculture from the beſt Engliſh books, and tranſlated it into Swediſh, in which language he was now forming a Dictionary. Two Meteorological Journals, the one drawn up by the Rev. Dr. Derham, and the other communicated by him, being the obſervations of Mr. Roby of Harwarden-College, Cambridge, in New-England, with the Doctor's excellent remarks thereon, were read; for which he received the thanks of the Society. Some further experiments as to the water diſtill'd from the Lauro-Ceraſus, and an Account read from a very learned man, of a laborious work he is now enter'd upon, the moſt important ſubject of the variety of butter flies, were communicated, which was received with applauſe. A Specimen of a work now under conſideration at Amſterdam, in relation to birds, beaſts, inſects, &c. was ſhewed to the Society. *DP.*

The ſame day was held at the Chapter-houſe in S. Paul's Churchyard, a General Court of the Corporation of the ſons of the Clergy, being the annual one for chuſing a Preſident, Vice Preſident, 3 Treaſurers, and 48 Court of Aſſiſtants. The By-law which orders, that 1 Treaſurer and 14 Court of Aſſiſtants ſhall be removed every year, was ſuſpended; ſo there was no new one choſe: alſo 2 of the 14 that were to go out were continued; his Grace the Archbiſhop was likewiſe continued Preſident, and the Hon. Mr. Verney Vice-Preſident. *DP.*

Yeſterday morning about 10, a young man going along Holbourn was joſtled by two fellows under the gateway of an Inn, when one of them preſented a piſtol to his head whilſt the other rifled his pockets of 4 guineas, and ſome ſilver; one of the villains pulled at his watch, but could not get it out, whereupon he beat him ſo violently upon the ſtomach, that he was ſenſeleſs for ſome time; and both made off. *EP.*

We hear the Indian Yucca or Jucca tree, which is as great a curioſity as the Perſian Aloe, is now in bloom at Mr. Bedford's at the Feather's in Tothill-fields, having been upwards of 40 years in his garden, but never bloſſomed before now, and is 9 foot high, and the bloſſom above 2 foot, which repreſents in colour and ſhape the tulip, and has bore above 400 bloſſoms at a time: it has been in bloſſom above 6 weeks, but it is feared the froſty-mornings will ſoon nip it. *SJ.*

The D. of Lorrain gave amongſt the ſervants of his Grace the D. of Grafton, when he left Euſton-Hall in Suffolk, bank bills for 300 l. —— His Highneſs made the like donation to the ſervants of Sir Rob. Walpole at Houghton. *LE. SJ.*

Yeſterday about noon Sir Herbert-Perrot Packington, Bar. came to the Temple-Exchange Coffeehouſe, Fleet-ſtreet, to regiſter ſome Lottery tickets, and gave the man a liſt of 5, among which was numb. 57,388, the 10,000 l, and the man telling him that Number was the 10,000 l. prize, he ſeemed amaz'd, and ſaid he bought it the day before, and would go up to Guildhall directly to the Commiſſioners about it. *LE.* —— It belongs to Mrs. Walker of Aybridge in Eſſex, Siſter to Tho. Walker, Eſq; one of the Commiſſioners of the Cuſtoms. *LE. Nov.* 16.

Letters from Suſſex ſay, that on Monday laſt, at a meeting of about 50 Commiſſioners of Sewers at Arundel, a quarrel aroſe between Sir Cecil Biſhop, Bart. and Sir Har. Peachy, about the promiſe of a vote for a Clerk to the Commiſſioners, which was that day to be choſen, when very high words aroſe, and they parted with anger, and Sir Harry ſent Sir Cecil a challenge; and on thurſday laſt they met at Hornecraft Common, (Sir Cecil came firſt, and in about half an hour after came Sir Harry) Sir Cecil having loſt the prime of one of his piſtols, they agreed to take only one each; but Sir Cecil inſiſted on his adverſary's firing firſt, and he would fire in the air; they preſented 10 or 12 times at each other, but did not fire: and one Mr. Palmer hearing of it, came with others, and ſtepped in between and parted them; Sir Cecil behaved with great courage, only ſaid, You have given my Wife great uneaſineſs; and told Sir Harry when he ſent another challenge, he ſhould ſend it by a beggar, not a ſervant to alarm his family; Sir Harry ſaid he would ask her Ladyſhip's pardon for frightning her, and ſo they parted. *LE.* —— *This* Suſſexian *way of fighting a duel is much better, than the* Creolian *way mentioned below.*

MONDAY, *Nov.* 15.

Yeſterday the Rev. Dr. Herring preached before their Majeſties, &c. and the Rev. Dr. Lovel before the Duke, &c. *P.* — Laſt ſaturday the Duke of Lorrain, &c. came to town from Norfolk. *P. C. DJ.* Yeſterday he went to Court, and ſaw their Majeſties, &c. dine in publick. *P.*

—Laſt night the R. Hon. Sir Rob. Walpole arrived in Town, from his ſeat in Norfolk. *C.*

The Hon. ——— Lumley, Eſq; youngeſt Brother to the R. Hon. the E. of Scarborough is appointed to ſucceed the R. Hon. the E. of Albemarle in the command of a Company of Grenadiers in the 2d Regiment of Foot-Guards. *D J.* — The Lord Coot, eldeſt ſon to the Lord Bullamore, is appointed Capt. Lieut. in the firſt Regiment of Foot Guards, in the room of Capt. Gulley who ſhot himſelf; and Mr. Savile is made Enſign in the room of the Lord Coot. *P.* — Mr. William Walby is appointed Surveyor of houſes for York. *D P.*

On ſaturday No. 1260 was drawn a prize of 500 l. *C. D P. D J.*—It is ſuppoſed the Drawing will be finiſhed in 8 drawing days more. There have 6182 Prizes drawn, value 199,020 l. there remain undrawn 1820 value 60,980. The difference is 135 Prizes, in value 6243 l. now in the wheel, more than a proportionable number and value for the laſt 8 days; and an undrawn ticket is worth 11 l. 2 s. 9 d. and no more. *D J.*

The moſt valuable Alexandrian Manuſcript Copy of the Bible was preſerved, when the late fire happened at Aſhburnham houſe. It is the ancienteſt and the beſt Manuſcript of the Septuagint Verſion now extant, &c. Dr. Erneſtus Grabe undertook to publiſh an edition of it, and accordingly has given us 2 Parts, but his death prevented him from proceeding any farther. *P.* —— *I am aſſured by a Book-ſeller, that the other* 2 Parts *were afterwards publiſhed from the* Doctor's *Papers; and that the whole Work is compleat, in* 4 *volumes in Folio, and in the ſame number in* 8vo.

On friday the late Lord Mayor, who always entertain'd his Officers in an elegant manner, made a very handſome dinner for them at Fiſhmonger's Hall. His Lordſhip and his Lady ſate at table with them, and every thing was performed with great plenty, and in good order; and at night his Lordſhip took his leave of them, and returned them all thanks for their good ſervice. *P.* — *I thought* the late Lord Mayor *had* taken leave *of the title of* his Lordſhip, Oct. 29.

On ſaturday night arrived at Deptford the Hon. Brigadier Gen. Sutton, his Majeſty's Envoy to Heſſe-Caſſel. — The ſame day the R. Hon. the Lord Derwentwater was cut for the ſtone by Mr. Cheſelden. *P.*

Laſt week a poor labouring man digging on Turnham-Green, ſtruck his pick-axe upon an urn, wherein were depoſited many antient ſilver coins; which has excited the attention of the Curious, and in particular of the Rev. and learned Lord of that manor. *D J.*

On friday night about 11, as a Gentleman was coming down Pater-noſter Row, a Gentlewoman, at leaſt to his appearance ſo, well dreſs'd, fell down juſt as he was paſſing by her; upon which he ſtopp'd to lift her up, and got her upon her knees, which ſhe pretended were much bruiſed, and in the mean time ſhe reſted with her hands, as he thought, upon his knees, while he was holding her up under the arms; but robbed him of 15 guineas, by ſlitting his pocket down. This was all the return the Gentleman had for his civility to the Lady; but now he wants very much to know where to find her Ladyſhip, that he may enquire how ſhe does after her fall. *C.*

On friday night died at her habitation in Great Ruſſel-ſtreet, the Lady Caſtlecomer. *D P.* On ſaturday morning about 9. *D J.* —— On ſaturday about 2 in the morning died Edw. Goldsborough, Eſq; Chief Regiſter of the Court of Chancery under his Grace the D. of St. Alban's, which office is reckoned worth about 1000 l. per ann. he is ſucceeded by Tho Parnell, Eſq; ſecond Regiſter. *D P.* At his chambers in Lincoln's-Inn. *P. D J.* The eldeſt Deputy Regiſter. *P.*

TUESDAY, *Nov.* 16.

Yeſterday Numb. 48,096 came up a prize of 1000 l. *P. D P. D J.*

The Common Council of the City of London having refuſed to receive a petition for leave to erect an Equeſtrian Statue of K. William III. our great deliverer, on the ground whereon Cheapſide conduit lately ſtood, the principal Gentlemen and traders of the Borough of Southwark have met, and agreed to contribute ſuch conſiderable ſums of money for erecting it there, that 'tis expected the ſaid Borough will be ſoon honoured with it. *D J.*

On ſaturday laſt Dr. Morly, an eminent man-midwife in Bow-lane, was married to Miſs Watts of Stratford, a very agreeable lady with 5000 l. fortune. *D P.* 6000 l. *D J.*

A few days ſince a Prieſt, who was lately Prior of the Benedictine Monks at Paris, was committed to Coventry gaol, on a charge of defrauding 2 young Ladies of upwards of 1100 l. being great part of their fortunes, and likewiſe with debauching them. *D J.* — The latter part of this paragraph is intirely groundleſs, the Ladies being perſons of the ſtricteſt honour and virtue. *D J.* Nov. 17.

His Grace the Archbiſhop of Canterbury has been pleaſed to confer a degree in the Civil and Canon law upon Mr. Pownall, late a Capt. in the R. Hon. Sir Cha. Wills's Regiment of foot. *P.*

Laſt week died at Horſham in Suſſex, Sir Hen. Goring, of Highdown in that County, Bar. *D P.* He married one of the Daughters and Coheirs of Sir Geo. Matthews, Knt. has left a numerous Iſſue, and is ſucceeded in dignity and eſtate by his eldeſt Son, now Sir Charles Matthew Goring, Bart. *L E.*

We hear, that on Friday laſt, Governor Pike was actually appointed Governor of S. Helena, in the room of Edw. Byfield Eſq; who hath reſigned. *E P.* —*The* SI. *calls him* Mr. Borlace Pike, *not ſuppoſing him a* Governor *before* he was actually appointed *one.*

The great cauſe depending in the Court of King's Bench between the South Sea Company, Plaintiffs, and Col. John Duncomb, Defend. for the ſum of 800 l. demanded as due upon certain tranſactions in the year 1720, was yeſterday decided by a trial at Bar, and a verdict given in favour of the Defendant. *S J.*

Laſt night Will. Steele was committed to Newgate by the R. Hon. the L. Harrington, being charged with giving a falſe information, as we hear upon the pretended plot of lodging the barrel of gun-powder under Bloody Bridge. *W E.*

The Rev. Dr. Theodore Waterland, Rect of Long Stanton in Cambridgeſhire is preſented to the Living of S. Bennet Fink, behind the Royal Exchange. *L E.*

This morning died at Wandſworth in Surrey, Humph. Morris, Eſq; Member of Parl. for Grampound in Cornwall, and a very great Weſt-India Merchant. *L E.* He was the greateſt Trader to Guinea and America of any merchant in this kingdom. *D J. Nov.* 17. And a Gentleman of an univerſal good character. *P.*

Laſt friday was a general Court of the Mine Adventure Company, when the following Perſons were choſen Directors for the Year enſuing, viz. Charles Waller, Eſq; Governor: Sir Thomas Mackworth, Bart. Deputy Governor. Francis Boteler, Eſq; Mr. Thomas Carbonet; Mr. Deputy Richard Chauncey; Sir Robert Clifton, Bart. and Knight of the Bath; Henry Cooley, Eſq; Edward Harriſon, Eſq; John Meredith, Eſq; John Moody, Eſq; Henry Neal Eſq; Walter Pryſe, Eſq; Mr. Jacob Wachtis; Andrew Robinſon, Eſq; *E P. J. L E.*

A Liſt of the Directors of the Charitable Corporation.

The Coumittee; The R Hon. Sir Rob. Sutton, Knt. of the Bath; Sir Archibald Grant, Bart. the Hon. Walter Moleſworth, Eſq; William Aiſlabie, Eſq; Dennis Bond, Eſq; William Burroughs, Eſq; Robert Man, Eſq. Aſſiſtants, Thomas Beake, George Jackſon, John Moody, Benjamin Robinſon, William Squire, John Toriano, Charles Waller, Thomas Whichcot, Eſqs; *L E. W E.*

The following is an exact Account of the preſent State Lottery, as to what Prizes and Blanks have been drawn out, and what remain in the Wheel to this day, viz. Drawn Prizes 6366, Drawn Blanks 59180; Undrawn Prizes 1634, Undrawn Blanks 12820; ſo that the courſe of the drawing has been to this day, upwards of nine Blanks to a Prize; and there remain in the Wheel near eight Blanks to a Prize. *W E.*

WEDNESDAY, *Nov.* 17.

Her Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint Fran. Cockſitor, Eſq: to be Gentleman Uſher to her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs Mary; and —— Grainger, Eſq; to be Gentleman Uſher to her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs Louiſa. *D J.*

Whitehall, Nov. 16. By the laſt letters from Mr. Keene, his Majeſty's Miniſter Plenipotentiary at the Court of Spain, there is advice that the King of Spain has nominated the Marq. de Montejo to be his Ambaſſador to his Majeſty, and that he was accordingly preparing his journey to England. *C.* &c.

The Lords Commiſſioners of the Admiralty have received advice from Sir Charles Wager, that he ſet ſail with the Britiſh fleet under his command, on the 6th inſtant from Gibraltar, for England, when all were well there, and his own men in good health: and we are daily in expectation to hear of their arrival at Portſmouth. *C.*

Sir Robert Sutton, Bart. and Knight of the Bath, lies dangerouſly ill at his houſe near Hanover ſquare. *D P.*

There is advice in Town, of the Spence Sloop of War having engaged a Spaniſh Guarde Coſta belonging to Porto Rico, and after a ſharp diſpute carried her, as it is ſaid, for Jamaica. We are informed, that the Goſport Man of War Capt. Duncan Drake, now fitting out at Plymouth, is to carry freſh inſtructions to rear Admiral Stewart at Jamaica, for the more effectual pseventing the Spaniards in America diſturbing our Navigation, under the pretence of guarding their own coaſts, there being an account lately received of 9 Sail being fitted out, under that Denomination, from Cuba, Hiſpaniola, and Porto Rico. *D J.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

To Mr. BAVIUS, Secretary to the illuſtrious GRUBEANS.

SIR,

I Beg leave to offer to your conſideration an emendation on the old Song called *Chevy chace.* ——— When the widows are deſcribed bewailing their deceaſed husbands; 'tis ſaid

'They kiſs'd them *dead* a thouſand times,
'When they were *clad in clay.*

If we interpret, *clad in clay*, literally and truly, it ſignifies, *buried*, this would be nonſenſe: ſome perhaps will ſay, it only ſignifies *dead*, that will make it tautology. — *They kiſs'd them* dead, *when they were* dead. —— Beſides, a man may be more properly ſaid to be *clad in clay*, when he is *alive*, than when he is *dead*; for when he is *dead*, he is *altogether clay*, and not properly *clad in clay*. I do not queſtion but you will agree with me, that the Author wrote

'When they were *cold as* clay.

The *northern* way of pronouncing, *cold*, is, *cald*, (which is nearer the Saxon ceald) and, perhaps, the M. S. might be ſo written, and then a miſtake might eaſily be made by a *ſoutherly* Printer. This reading is very agreeable to the whole paſſage.

'*Next day* did many widows come,
'Their huſbands to bewail;
'They waſh'd their wounds in briniſh tears,
'*But all would not prevail.*
'Their bodies bath'd in purple blood
'They bore with them away;
'They kiſs'd them *dead* a thouſand times,
'When they were *cold as clay.*

In the laſt place, I obſerve this reading conveys a fine idea of the *warm* affections of the wives, who ſo lovingly embraced and *kiſſed* their huſbands,

When they were *cold as* clay.

I am, Sir, your moſt humble ſervant,

ZOILUS.

If for pleaſure you'd ride, in Moorfields a horſe hire:
There Madmen your freak, through the grates will admire.
If for profit you'd ride, ne'er ſtand ſhill I, ſhall I,
But borrow ſome coin, and away to Change Alley.
There rich men, and beggars, not lame, but all blind,
With legal Pick-pockets aſſembled you'll find.
At ten times its value for one day hire a Tit:
When your pockets are empty the lighter you'll ſit:
Give to Fortune the reins, and ſpur on to Guildhall.
Where if both Jades conſpire to throw you a fall;
As you've rode this firſt journey without fear or wit,
Ride one more but with Halter, not with Lottery Bit.

Letters from Jamaica of Sept. 15. by way of Briſtol, mention that a Duel had been fought there between Col. Coggill, and Col. Beckford, and that the latter was ſhot dead on the ſpot. *P. Nov.* 13.

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *Nov.* 11.

Yeſterday arrived the Mails from France *and* Flanders.

Liſbon, Oct. 11. The 26th paſt an edict was publiſh'd for eſtabliſhing a new East-India Company, wherein all Foreigners are invited to take intereſt. The fund will be raiſed by ſubſcription, which 'tis reckon'd will amount to two or three millions: the firſt venture is to conſiſt of 4 ſhips. The Britiſh Conſul in this City has warned the Merchants of his nation not to engage therein, under the Penalties laid in an Act of Parliament paſt ſome years ago, againſt all ſuch as intereſt themſelves in the commerce of a Foreign India-Company. *D P.*

Vienna, Nov. 3. A flying report goes of the late King Victor Amadeus having made his eſcape with an Officer in waiting. —— Duke Charles Leopold of Mecklembourg has at length ſubmitted to the Imperial ſentence; upon which his ſerene Highneſs has obtained leave to come hither, to make his excuſes in perſon. *D P.*

Paris, Nov. 17. They write from Naples of the 23d, that on the wedneſday morning before, they felt there an earthquake, which had frightned moſt of the Nobility into the country. *D J.*

Moſcow, Oct. 9. Letters from Conſtantinople confirm the depoſition of the Prime Vizir, who has been nominated Baſhaw of Negropont, whither he is retired with all his effects, which were not confiſcated, as was at firſt reported. *P.*

FRIDAY, *Nov.* 12.

Bruſſels. Nov. 12. The actions of the Oſtend Company are riſen to Par. *D J.*

Paris, Nov. 17. On the 12th inſtant, the Parliament was opened with the uſual Ceremonies. *C. P.*

Madrid, Oct. 30, N. S. On the 28th, the Royal Seminary of Nobles founded by the King, opened their court with ſeveral pieces of Spaniſh Poetry, which were rehearſed by 3 Knights of the Seminary: after which there was an interlude, the French and Spaniſh dances whereof were exceedingly well executed, in the preſence of the

Grandees of the Kingdom and the Principal Nobility. *C.*

Amſterdam, Nov. 16. We learn from Stockholm, that a new Company of Merchants is erecting there, to trade to France, Spain, and the Mediterranean. *D P.*

Hague, Nov. 13. A Sardinian Miniſter is ſaid to have told the following ſtory above a year ago. The diſcourſe turned upon the calculating of nativities: he ſaid, that when King Victor was Duke of Savoy, long before he was a King, it being 24 or 25 years ago, he had the curioſity to have his nativity calculated by a perſon, who had gained a vaſt reputation for hitting upon future events. This man being aſſured by that Prince, that he might ſpeak the truth with all boldneſs, he told him, *He would die a King, but a Priſoner and* * * * * *P.*

SATURDAY, *Nov.* 13.

Yeſterday arrived the Mail from Holland.

Seville, Oct. 26. The Queen made a preſent to the Infante Don Carlos, before his departure, of a diamond ring of great value. The Prince of the Aſturias alſo preſented him with a very fine brilliant, and a gold repeating watch ſet with diamonds; the Princeſs of the Aſturias with a casket of jewels, and a pair of brilliant diamond buckles; and the Infante Don Philip with a Golden Fleece ſet with diamonds. Don Carlos arrived yeſterday at Carpio beyond Corduba, upon the Guadalquivir. *C. D P.*

Leghorn, Oct. 31. On the 29th the Act of approbation of the Grand Duke, touching the regulation of the 6000 Spaniſh Troops was ſign'd, whereby 2 batallions and 30 Dragoons are to march to Piſa, 2 others to Porto Ferraio, 70 Dragoons with ſome Infantry will enter here, and be lodged in the magazines of Porte Murato and Bollini d'Oglio, the reſt to encamp in the neighbourhood of this City. *D P.* Porta-Murata and Boſſini d'Oglio. *C.*

Amſterdam, Nov. 20. 'Tis adviſed from Turin, that the Marq. de Rivaroles and moſt of the other perſons under arreſt are releaſed; the Marq. however had orders to retire to his eſtate in the neighbourhood of Turin. *D P.*

MONDAY, *Nov.* 15.

Extract of a private letter from Amſterdam. —— The Apollo was but 18 months in her voyage. She ſailed from Cadiz, Mar. 18, 1730 where ſhe took in her loading, with the other ſhip now expected home, but they did not arrive in the Indies 'till after the Sea-horſe was taken by the Engliſh under Poliſh colours. The ſhip expected home is called the *Mermaid*; and the crew of the Apollo (to deceive perſons) call her the *Maremunde*. The Apollo ſailed firſt from Oſtend to Cadiz, with the greateſt part of her crew Oſtenders, who thought they had been bound to the Weſt Indies. She had the Emperor's Paſport to Spain, and ſailed from Cadiz under Imperial colours, which ſhe uſed only 'till out of ſight of the coaſts; after which ſhe put up thoſe of all nations, as ſhe ſaw occaſion, having a Painter on board, who painted them. She paſſed the Streights of Sunda, and returned through thoſe of Malacca. When ſhe came to S. Jago, ſhe found letters intimating, that off of Ireland ſhe would meet an Oſtend ſhip, with directions how ſhe ſhould proceed. On board this veſſel ſhe put her bills of lading; and the Supercargo went in her to Oſtend, having ordered the Apollo to ſteer directly for the Elbe. As for the Pruſſian Paſport, it is likely the Captain did not receive it 'till he came to the mouth of the Elbe. The owners take great care to perſuade people, that the Oſtenders have nothing to do with her. *P.*

Extract of a private letter from Hamburgh. —— The 2d Oſtend ſhip, named the *Mermaid*, is arrived in a Port of Norway, loaded with Chints and Tea. This has occaſioned a terrible murmuring, and may be attended with fatal conſequences: and reaſon good, ſince theſe India ſhips putting into the Elbe, are capable of ruining entirely the commerce of the Engliſh and Dutch Companies in the North of Germany. Beſides, the Miniſter of Pruſſia told the Imperial Miniſters the other day, that he expected to ſee 2 or 3 ſhips arrive thus in the Elbe from India every year. *P.*

Paris, Nov. 12. They talk as if 20 batallions and 25 ſquadrons quartered in Alſace, have received orders to prepare to march on the firſt notice to the frontiers of Dauphiny. *D P.*

TUESDAY, *Nov.* 16.

Stralſund, Nov. 9. The 7th in the afternoon, at 3 o'clock, came hither the King of Sweden, our moſt gracious Sovereign, from Caſſel, under a diſcharge of all the artillery of this Garriſon, &c. *D J.*

WEDNESDAY, *Nov.* 17.

Hague, Nov. 20. Several letters, which arrived here from Vienna the beginning of this week, inſinuated, that King Victor Amadeus had made his eſcape from the caſtle of Rivoli, and taken ſanctuary in France; that that Court openly eſpouſed the intereſts of that Prince, and the Emperor as publickly thoſe of the preſent King of Sardinia: but theſe advices are not confirmed. It is only certain, that France has ordered ſeveral regiments to file off towards Dauphiné and Provence, that is to ſay, towards the frontiers of Savoy and Piedmont; which is capable of various interpretations. *P.*

BOOKS and PAMPHLETS publiſhed ſince our laſt.

11. The Political State of Great Britain. Pr. 1 s. 6 d.

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